FISCAL NOTE

SB 2617 - HB 2635

February 21, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Department of Human Services to forward allegations of nursing home patient abuse and neglect to the Department of Health, Division of Health Care Facilities for resolution. Requires the Board of Regents to develop a certified nursing assistant curriculum in coordination with the Tennessee Health Care Association. Requires the Department of Health to develop a plan for recruitment and improvement of nursing home facility inspectors.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$372,600

Estimate assumes:

- Approximately 81 students would be accommodated in classes at 27 Technology Centers. The cost is based on the standard state subsides to the Board of Regents on a per student basis.
- Assumes a not significant increase in the Department of Health to conduct a study for recruitment and retention of health care facility inspectors.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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